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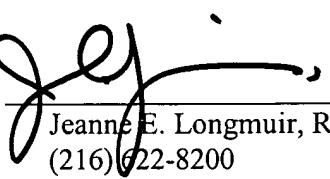
In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on August 21, 2002, the invention of Group I, including Claims 2-12, is hereby elected. It is believed that Claim 19 should likewise be included in the invention of Group I. It is likewise believed that the examination of Claims 1-12 and 19-20 should now be commenced, and that upon any allowance of linking Claims 1 and 20, the restriction requirement with respect to the Group II invention of Claims 13-18 will be withdrawn. If this understanding is incorrect, it is respectfully requested that any errors be pointed out.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are due at this time; however, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional related fee to Deposit Account No. 03-0172. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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